

Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to conduct an inquiry into the impediments to the development of competition in the market for multichannel video programming distribution. Agreed to amend the title;

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**Designating the Corporal Harold Gomez Post Office:** H.R. 4616, to designate the United States Post Office located at 3813 Main Street in East Chicago, Indiana, as the “Corporal Harold Gomez Post Office” (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 491);

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**Designating the Mervyn Dymally Post Office Building:** H.R. 2348, to redesignate the Federal building located at 701 South Santa Fe Avenue in Compton, California, and known as the Compton Main Post Office, as the “Mervyn Dymally Post Office Building” (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 421 yeas with 1 voting “nay”, Roll No. 492);

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**Curt Flood:** S. 53, to require the general application of the antitrust laws to major league baseball—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9942–46

**Sonny Bono Copyright Term Extension Act:** S. 505, to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9946–54

**Judicial Appointments:** S. 1892, to provide that a person closely related to a judge of a court exercising judicial power under article III of the United States Constitution (other than the Supreme Court) may not be appointed as a judge of the same court—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9985–87

**Crime Identification Technology Act:** S. 2022, amended, to provide for the improvement of interstate criminal justice identification, information, communications, and forensics;

Pages H9987–93

**Identity Theft and Assumption Deterrence:** H.R. 4151, amended, to amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud;

Pages H9993–98

**Crime Victims with Disabilities:** S. 1976, to increase public awareness of the plight of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, to collect data to measure the magnitude of the problem, and to develop strategies to address the safety and justice needs of victims of crime with developmental disabilities—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9998–99

**COPS on the Beat Funding:** H.R. 804, to amend part Q of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to ensure that Federal funds made available to hire or rehire law enforcement officers are used in a manner that produces a net gain of the number of law enforcement officers who perform nonadministrative public safety services;

Pages H9999–H10001

**Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland Cultural Exchange and Training Program:** H.R. 4293, amended, to establish a cultural and training program for disadvantaged individuals from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland;

Pages H1001–07

**Treasury, Postal Appropriations:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a ye and nay vote of 290 yeas to 137 nays Roll No. 494.

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Rejected the Hoyer motion to recommit the conference report to the conference committee with instructions to insist on section 624 of H.R. 4104 dealing with contraceptive prescription coverage under the Federal Employees Health Benefit Plan (rejected by a ye and nay vote, Roll No. 493).

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H. Res. 579, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report accompanying the bill, was agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 231 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 490.

Pages H9911–20

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H9725 and H9911.

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H10012.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Eight ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H9739–40, H9740–41, H9749, H9870, H9919–20, H9939–40, H9940, H9941, and H9941–42. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:01 a.m. on October 8.

## Committee Meetings

### FDA MODERNIZATION ACT

**Committee on Commerce:** Held a hearing on the Implementation of the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997. Testimony was heard

from Michael A. Friedman, M.D., Acting Commissioner, Food and Drugs, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

#### **OVERSIGHT—EX-IM BANK**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held an oversight hearing on Ex-Im Bank. Testimony was heard from James Harmon, President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank; JayEtta Hecker, Associate Director, GAO; and public witnesses.

#### **NATIONAL MILITARY STRATEGY**

*Committee on National Security:* Held a hearing on the state of U.S. military forces and their ability to execute the National military strategy. Testimony was heard from the following former officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Gordon S. Sullivan, USA, Chief of Staff; Adm. Frank Kelso, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Thomas Moorman, Jr., USAF, Vice Chief of Staff; and Gen. Richard I. Neal, USMC, Assistant Commandant.

#### **GRAND STAIRCASE ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT REPORT; MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE**

*Committee on Resources:* Approved a draft Committee Report concerning the Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument.

The Committee also held a hearing on H.R. 2822, Swan Creek Black River Confederated Ojibwa Tribes of Michigan Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Knollenberg and Camp; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary, Native American Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

#### **WAIVING CERTAIN ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.J. Res. 131, waiving certain enrollment requirements for the remainder of the One Hundred Fifth Congress with respect to any bill or joint resolution making general or continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999, equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their designees. The rule provides one motion to recommit.

#### **CONFERENCE REPORT—TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year

ending September 30, 1999, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representative Kolbe.

#### **INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION—PROPOSED BAIL-OUT FOR RUSSIA**

*Committee on Science:* Held an oversight hearing on the International Space Station, The Administration's Proposed Bail-Out for Russia. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NASA: Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator; and Jay Chabrow, Chairman, Cost Assessment and Validation Task Force, Advisory Council; and public witnesses.

#### **DOMAIN NAME SYSTEM TRANSFER**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Basic Research and the Subcommittee on Technology held a joint oversight hearing on Transferring the Domain Name System to the Private Sector: Private Sector Implementation of the Administration's Internet "White Paper". Testimony was heard from J. Beckwith Burr, Associate Administrator, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Office of International Affairs, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### **TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES RELATED TO Y2K PROBLEM**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Continued hearings to review Transportation and Infrastructure Issues related to the Year 2000 Computer Problem "Y2K: Will We Get There On Time?" with emphasis on Coast Guard, Maritime and Water Resources. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Rear Adm. George Naccara, USCG, Director, Information and Technology; and John Graykowski, Acting Deputy Administrator, Maritime Administration; Alvin Pesachowitz, Chief Information Officer, EPA; Lacy Suiter, Executive Associate Director, FEMA; John D'Aniello, Departmental Director, Civil Works, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; Diane Bunch, Manager, Enterprise Operations, TVA; and public witnesses.

### ***Joint Meetings***

#### **IMF REFORM**

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded hearings on proposals to reform the International Monetary Fund and the future course of international economic policy, after receiving testimony from Charles Calomiris, Columbia University, New York, New York; and Jacob Frenkel, Bank of Israel, Jerusalem,

former Research Director of the International Monetary Fund.

## CARL D. PERKINS VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT AMENDMENTS

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1110)

S. 1695, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System. Signed October 6, 1998. (P.L. 105-243)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services*, to hold hearings to review the recommendation to elevate the position of the Director, Office of Non-Proliferation and National Security of the Department of Energy, 3:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*, to hold hearings on the nomination of Ashish Sen, of Illinois, to be Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works*, Subcommittee on Drinking Water, Fisheries, and Wildlife, to hold oversight hearings on scientific and engineering issues relating to Columbia/Snake River system salmon recovery, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Robert W. Perciasepe, of Maryland, to be Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency, 2 p.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine recent events in Afghanistan, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings to examine national security considerations in asylum applications, focusing on a case study involving six Iraqis, 9 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence*, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

## NOTICE

For a listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see page E1939 in today's Record.

## House

*Committee on Agriculture*, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, hearing on current U.S. trade issues with Canada, 10:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops, hearing on Review of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's FY 2000 Budget and Annual Performance Plan, 9 a.m., 1302 Longworth.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, hearing on Will Jumbo Euro Notes Threaten the Greenback?, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Commerce*, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on the Implementation of the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments, 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on A Review of the Department of Energy's Hanford Radioactive Tank Waste Privatization Contract, 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Year 2000 Problem at the Department of Education, Part II, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight*, to consider the following: draft reports entitled "Hepatitis C: Silent Epidemic, Mute Public Health Response;" "Medicare Home Health Services: No Surety in the Fight Against Fraud and Waste;" "The Year 2000 Problem;" and "Campaign Fundraising Improprieties and Other Possible Violations of Law;" and H.R. 4523, Lorton Technical Corrections Act of 1998; H.R. 4566, District of Columbia Courts and Justice Technical Corrections Act of 1998; H.R. 4568, District of Columbia Reform Technical Corrections Act of 1998; H.R. 4620, Statistical Consolidation Act of 1998; release of Depositions, Interrogatories and Documents, 10:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, hearing on Assessing the Administration's Foreign Policy: The Record After Six Years, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on National Security*, Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, joint hearing on Department of Defense modernization, 11 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Procurement, hearing on Navy ship donation procedures, 4 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science*, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on the Fastener Quality Act: Needed or Outdated? 10:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, to consider the following: H.R. 3243, Alternative Water Source Development Act of 1998; GSA leasing program; Court-house construction resolutions; Public building resolutions; Corps of Engineers water resources survey resolutions; and other pending business, 1 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.